in 1991 and the response from private sector is encouraging.

Completion of Mega Power Projects

4387. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no significant power generation took place in the country during the period of five years after the liberalisation was initiated;

(b) if so, what are the new factors being relied upon to attract private entrepreneurs in this field;

(c) the project-wise time schedule for financial closure and completion as projected by Government for all the Mega Power Projects;

(d) the confirmed fuel linkage for each of the Mega Power Projects; and

(e) whether the Power Grid Corporation has finalised the basic parameters of the prospective agreements with the State Electricity Boards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) and (b) The Government has not found it difficult to attract investments in power sector from private parties. In view of the paucity of resources in the public sector for capacity addition in power generation, a policy to encourage private sector participation was formulated in 1991. Since then, as on date, 127 proposals have been received from private promoters for setting up power projects in the private sector. These include 95 proposals on the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)/ Letter of Intent (LoI) etc. route costing more than Rs. 100 crores and 32 proposals on the competitive bidding route costing more than Rs. 1000 crores. The policy is refined from time to time to make it more effective to attract private investment.

As per information available the power projects in the private sector on the MoU/LoI, etc., route (costing more than Rs. 100 crores) which have commenced partial generation are given below:

Sl. No.	Name of the project	Total Capacity (MW)	Capacity commissioned (MW)
1.	Hazira Combined Cycle Gas Turbine	515	3×110
2.	Jegurupadu Combined Cycle Gas Turbine	216	3×45.8
3.	Godavari Combined Cycle Gas Turbine	208	45.8

(c) to (e) Mega power projects are in the nascent stage of development and reaching the stage of financial closure would depend on a number of factors such as successful completion of prequalification of developers, tying up of various necessary inputs/clearances including fuel linkage and identification of beneficiary states, finalisation of various security packages, wheeling agreements between Powergrid and beneficiary states etc.

Development of Hydropower Projects

4388. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:
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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the existing power generation potential in respect of small hydro power projects in the country as also the installed capacity;